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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7552.0033

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Luca VINCI et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3761  
Application No.: 10/500,331 ) Examiner: Jacqueline F. Stephens  
Filed: June 28, 2004 ) Confirmation No.: 8958  
For: EQUIPMENT FOR )  
CONTROLLING BLOOD FLOW )  
IN AN EXTRACORPOREAL )  
BLOOD CIRCUIT )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time to file a reply to the Office  
Action of October 12, 2006. A fee of \$120.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached  
reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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